

Title (en)

SEMICONDUCTOR ASSISTED DC LOAD BREAK CONTACTOR

Title (de)

GLEICHSTROMSCHUTZTRENNSCHALTER MIT HALBLEITERUNTERSTÜTZUNG

Title (fr)

INTERRUPEUR COUPE-CARGE À COURANT CONTINUE ASSISTÉ À LA COMMUTATION PAR SEMI-CONDUCTEUR

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Abstract (en)

[origin: US2012038227A1] An electrical switch apparatus for use in connecting and disconnecting a DC power source and a load includes first and second pairs of controllable electromechanical contacts coupled to the DC power source and the load for connecting the power source to the load when the contacts are closed, and disconnecting the power source from the load when the contacts are open. A controller is coupled to the electromechanical contacts and programmed to produce control signals for opening and closing the contacts. A diode is coupled to the electromechanical contacts to prevent electrical current from flowing from the load to the power source, and a controllable semiconductor switch is coupled to the controller and across the power source for momentarily short circuiting the source in response to a control signal indicating a transition of either or both of the first and second pairs of electromechanical contacts from a closed condition to an open condition.

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